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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

James G. Whayne et al.

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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR
USING ANNOTATED IMAGES
FOR CONTROLLING THE USE OF
DIAGNOSTIC OR THERAPEUTIC
INSTRUMENTS IN INTERIOR
BODY REGIONS

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Response under 37 CFR 1.116
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Dear Sir:

This letter is responsive to the Final Office Action dated July 29, 2003. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116(a), Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment, which, if entered, will place the application in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal.

Please amend the application as follows:

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